America's Best-Known and Greatest Referee Tells How Trial Bout With Tommy Ryan Led Kid

NO. 4-KID LAVIGNE. (Second Lightweight Champton.)

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er pile sack after sack of salt upon the barges that lined the canal. It was hard work; but the youngster, anxious to be of agaistance to the family, decided that he would become one of the sack heavers at the first opportunity.

He was little George Lavigae, and the husky brother was big Billy. Taey were French Canadlane. One day the loss came along and, seeing rely-poly Occupe, said that he would give him a job alongside the big brother. "You look like a strong kid. To-

morrow you show up an you go to work w! Billy," said the boss. "I'll be on the job," said young Kid Lavigne, as he started home to tell the folks that he was to become a real man. For months he plugged away. A him, but his muscles grew rapidly, and at last he was able to hold his own with the best of the sail heavers. ing; he was some good with the gloves. Billy was a papil under Tommy

too. Hilly was a pupil under Tommy Ryan, at that time welterweight champion.

Boxed With Ryan

"Come on, Kid; you've got to go un and see me put the gloves on with Ryan," said Billy to smiling George as they finlened dinner at home one night. "I want you to see how easy it is for a fellow who knows how to defend himself to stow away sait heavers."

George went along that night. Billy boxed with the great Tommy Ryan, and his provess made some impression on good-natured George; but he wanted to see what he could do against Ryan, Tommy consented to put the gloves on with the kid so that "little George could say that he'd boxed with the great Tommy Ryan and his prawas made some impression on good-natured George; but he wanted to see what he could do against Ryan, Tommy consented to put the gloves on with the kid so that "little George could say that he'd boxed with the great Tommy Ryan and his prawas for the two men." Lavigne was the first to weigh he and commented on the appearance of the two men." Lavigne was the first to weigh. He got on the scales in his underclothes, laughing against his jaw.

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concussion of the brain. Laviene, ar-rested on the charge of manchaughter, used all the money he had saved during

Wagner, the two elever bantam weights of New York, fought a greeling ten round. That fight starged the "Sid" seems to men fight to fast or have the same thing, you can imagine the same thing Lavigne to Enter Ring and

Later Win Championship.

Then Kennedy, realizing that Lavigne had the class, matched him with Johnny Griffin. Lavigne won in fifteen rounds.

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pered: "I'm going to stap this kid on the mouth, and he il see that he's made

the mouth, and he it see that he's many a mistake.

Tommy did slap George across the face, but the youngster kept bittle as though he expected to knock out Byan. Temmy became very zore. He slammed the Rid as hard as he could—right on the point or the jaw-but the Kid staine back for more, and he ait Tommy so hard

Time and again Ryan tried his hardest at his weight, and encouraged him learn all that he could of the game.

Fought Long Battle.

In 1889, George, or 'the Saginaw Kid' as he had then become known, unexperienced with men of the first callors, was matched with and fought George Siddons of St. Paul. Siddons was then

Siddens of St. Paul. Siddens was then known as "the all-day during a sub-had founds hand distance buttles with many of the bear men in the country at that time. Siddens, in fact, had never been knowled outs-and I don't believe, in his long career. Siddens ever took the count.

The fight, fought with kid gloves, went seventy-seven rounds, and was called a draw. They were both terribly beaten to. Another match was made, and they fought fifty-five rounds for the feather weight championship of Michigan and a 10,000 side bet. The bartle left both then in such graps that nother one

and a \$5.000 side het. The hartis left both men in such armos the neither one was note to centimite when the fifty first round was reached, and, the there first fant, it was calculated as a faithful first fant, it was calculated as a worth challenger for the featherweight title, and he immediately challenged George Dixon, who then held the honors.

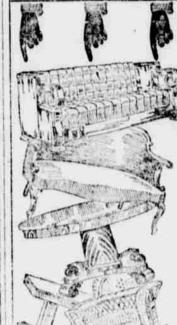
"Kid's" next his match was with the cleverest of all-Young Griffo, who was then considered the most provident challenger for the honors held by George Dixon. Griffo was the marvel of the hoxing world, and the "Kid's" nerve in taking an Griffo in a immediately was considered the better of provident then. They hoxed as electronical and the "Kid's" nerve in taking an Griffo in a immediately was considered the better of provident then. They hoxed as electronical and a limited and a limited

Lavigne came on to New York, and here he procured a manager in the person of Sam Fitzpatrick. I know

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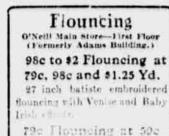
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